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In re the Application of: **ARIGA, Tatsuya et al.**

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **May 24, 2002**, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

**Paragraph beginning at page 22, line 18 has been amended as follows:**

If the light shielding elements 37A to 37C described above are placed in, for example, the excimer laser device 1 as shown in FIG. 1, the laser light 11 radiated to the portions to which the nonreflective coating is applied passes through the light shielding elements 37A to 37C to be the rectangular laser light 11. The undesired laser light 11A radiated to the portions to which the total reflection coating is applied, other than the above, is reflected at high reflectivity, and is radiated to the absorption material 42 as shown in FIG. 1. Specifically, the portions to which the nonreflective